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The Senate met at 9:15 a.m., on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. Thurmond].

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Holy God, help us to be present to Your presence in every moment of this day. Fill this Senate Chamber with Your glory and Your grace. May we practice Your presence by opening our minds to think Your thoughts. Make this a day filled with surprises in which You intervene with solutions to our problems, creative compromises that lead to greater unity, and superlative strength that replenishes our human endurance. Fill us with expectancy of what You will do in and through us today

We claim Isaiah's promise, "You will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on You."-Isaiah 26:3. Stay our minds on You so we may know Your lasting peace of mind and soul. You know how easily we become distracted. Often hours pass with little thought of You and Your will in our work. In those times, invade our minds, remind us You are in charge and that we are here to serve and please You. Keep our minds riveted on You throughout this day. Give us fresh experiences of Your unqualified love for us personally and Your unlimited wisdom for our deliberation and decisions. In our Lord's name. Amen.

## RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able majority leader, Senator DOLE, is recognized.

#### **SCHEDULE**

Mr. DOLE. Thank you, Mr. President. For the information of all Senators, the Senate will immediately resume consideration of the Defense authorization bill this morning. At 9:30, there will be at least two rollcall votes with the last vote being on passage of the Defense authorization bill. Following that vote, the Senate will resume consideration of welfare reform legislation. Further rollcall votes are therefore possible during the day's session. The first vote will be a 15-minute plus the 5, and then the second vote will be a 10-minute vote.

Let me indicate to many of my colleagues who seem to have an interest in going to Baltimore this evening to witness one of the great, historic moments in baseball with Cal Ripken, Jr., breaking Lou Gehrig's record, we are trying to work out some schedule where we could take up welfare reform and agree to have a vote on the Democratic alternative sometime early tomorrow morning. For those who do not proceed to the ball game, we could stay tonight and debate. We have not reached that agreement yet. We are working on it. I know Senator MIKUL-SKI and Senator SARBANES have a particular interest. We would like to accommodate our colleagues on both sides of the aisle whenever possible and this may be one of those times that we can work it out.

## NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1996

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. CAMPBELL). Under the previous order, the Senate will now resume consideration of S. 1026, which the clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1026) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of

the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the bill.

Pending: Nunn amendment No. 2425, to establish a missile defense policy.

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, I believe we will take up some uncontested matters at this time.

Mr. NUNN. Mr. President, I wonder if it would not be appropriate at this time to ask for the yeas and nays on the pending amendment, which is the missile defense amendment sponsored by myself and Senators WARNER, LEVIN, and COHEN.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There is a sufficient second.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

Mr. NUNN. Mr. President, I believe that we are now prepared to clear some more amendments. The first amendment is the Warner amendment, as I understand it.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, the Senator is correct.

### AMENDMENT NO. 2461

(Purpose: To state the sense of the Senate on negotiations between the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Energy and the Governor of the State of Idaho regarding the shipment of spent nuclear fuel from naval reactors)

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I send an amendment to the desk and ask for its consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. If there is no objection, the pending amendment is set aside, and the clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER], for himself, Mr. Exon, Mr. Thurmond, Mr. Kempthorne, Mr. Craig, Mr. Cohen, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Gregg proposes an amendment numbered 2461.

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